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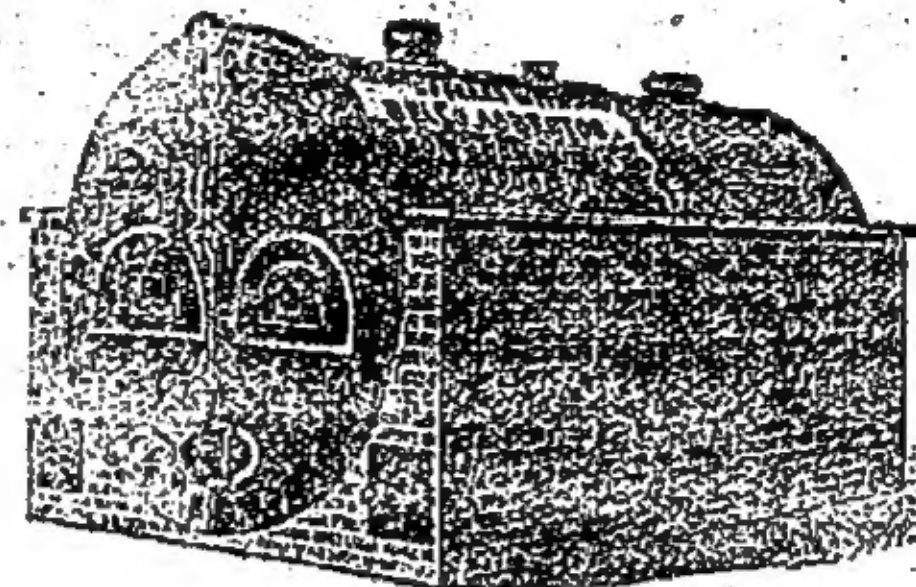
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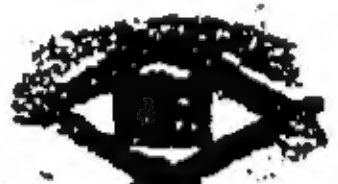
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THE SANITARY COM-
MISSION.

Remarks in Conclusion.

In closing their report on the adminis-
tration of the Public Health and Buildings
Ordinance the Commissioners say:

Before closing the report, the members
of the Commission consider it desirable to
make some reference to the nature of the
evidence laid before them, and the great
difficulty experienced in sifting out the
truth from the mass of evidence given.

It was reported quite unofficially that so
soon as it was generally known your Ex-
cellency intended to appoint a Commission
to inquire into the working of the Sanitary
Department steps were taken by individuals
to destroy traces of what might prove to be
incriminating evidence.

We were further given to understand
that in certain cases some of the staff of
the Sanitary Department, who have had
irregular dealings with certain Chinese
contractors and others, actually called upon
these men and suggested the advisability
of destroying such incriminating documents
as might be in their possession.

The Commissioners from the first found
that all classes of Chinese were most
reluctant to give evidence of any description
and in many cases were obviously doing all
possible to evade meeting the inquiries of
the Commissioners for fear of the conse-
quences to themselves if they gave
evidence against the sanitary inspectors.

Fortunately we were able in a few in-
stances to obtain possession of books which
have enabled us to follow up a number of
cases where bribes or blackmail have been
extorted but in most of the cases where
leading contractors and others have been
before the Commission, no proper books
have been produced.

It is, of course, well known that the
ordinary business Chinaman has a very
perfect system of book-keeping, and in
these cases where the existence of these
documents was denied, we considered that
we were justified in assuming that there
are reasons why the books could not be
put before us.

We must remind your Excellency that
in China the system of book-keeping is un-
fortunately a matter of every day occur-
rence amongst Government officials (yamen
runners and others) and the civil popula-
tion. Any Chinaman consequently settling
here not only accepts but is quite prepared
to find similar conditions prevailing in
this Colony as that which obtains in his
own country.

Conclusive evidence has been brought
before us to show that bribing and black-
mailing is of common occurrence, per-
meating the entire service from the senior
inspectors downwards. This being so, the
Chinese as a matter of course more than
meet the Government officials half way,
and in many cases readily offer presents
before they are demanded.

That it is recognised that these payments
are illegal is clear from the statements
made before the Commission as to the
manner of payment. How every precaution
is taken that no witnesses are present, and
when the sums have been entered into the
account books, they appear as "coolie hire,"
"saman hire," "substitute labour" and
so forth; in only one case did the word
"bribe" appear, while if the payments
were entered as to an inspector, in most
cases a fictitious name was used; or
merely the number of the district to which
the inspector belonged was given.

The fact that in many cases no books
have been produced, while others have been
altered, and in some cases the in-
formation given privately, while it has
already been clearly proved that instances
have occurred where an individual inspector
has attempted to prevent witnesses from
giving evidence before the Commission and
other cases have been before us, which
however we have been unable to confirm,
as the main witnesses for fear of trouble
have left the Colony.

The excuses made by many of the wit-
nesses as to why they had lent themselves
to a state of affairs of which they disapprove,
and which they know to be wrong, may be
briefly summed up as follows:—
If a contract to remunerate money is
paid to the inspectors and other subordinate
officials not particularly for any direct
service rendered, but in the hope of
establishing friendly relations and ensuring
good results in the future.

The inspectors inform these contractors
that their work is not satisfactory and can
not be passed, then follow it up with a
request for a loan, which it is clearly un-
derstood does not involve repayment.

One contractor states: "All inspectors
want presents," and another witness stated
all contractors give presents to the in-
spectors.

If such presents are not made delay
takes place in issuing permits or the work
is reported as not fit to pass and has to be
redone. Another witness stated they were
under the rule of the inspector and they
were forced to make presents in kind
or money.

A large number of Chinese witnesses
have given similar evidence, all pointing
to the fact that contractors, shop keepers,
restaurant keepers, &c., pay bribes to the
inspectors in order to purchase their goods
and to avoid possible trouble, or to get
work passed.

It appears that the larger contractors
and architects have nothing to do with the
bribing. The usual custom, is to sub-
contract and the sub-contractor is supposed to do all
that is necessary in this direction, in order
that the work may be passed.

There appears to be little doubt that cer-
tain contractors, such as Foo Sik, San Lu,
Tang Ying and others are the favoured
contractors. These men alone accept and
carry out certain forms of contracting, as
otherwise work will not be passed by the
inspectors.

Exigencies have been given where a Chi-
nese architect and others have been in-
formed by Government officials that they
had better employ certain contractors,
while if they attempt to get work done by
their own men, the work is rejected by
the inspectors. The favoured contractors
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of the Members of the HONGKONG
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held on WEDNESDAY, the 28th May,
1907, at 4 p.m., in the Old Chamber of
Commerce, Room, CITY HALL, for the
following purposes, viz:—

1. To receive the Report and Accounts
of the Committee for the year ended
31st December, 1906.
2. To elect a New Committee.
3. To transact any General Business.

By Order,
A. R. LOWE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 23, 1907.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an
EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the
Shareholders of THE HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION will be
held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on
FRIDAY, the 31st day of May, 1907, at
Noon, for the purpose of considering and,
if thought fit, of passing the following
Resolutions:—

1. That the Directors of the Hongkong
and Shanghai Banking Corporation do
and they are hereby requested
and authorised by and on behalf of
the Shareholders of the Company to
take the steps necessary for the
introduction of an Ordinance into the
Legislative Council of the Colony of
Hongkong and for the enactment
of the same by the Governor of
Hongkong with the advice and consent
of the Legislative Council thereof
to effect the amendments
necessary to the Ordinance under
which the Company is incorporated
and carrying on business so as to
show of the capital of the Company
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from ten millions of dollars, the
present authorised capital of the
Company, to twenty millions of
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21 years from and including the 14th
day of August, 1908, and for con-
tinuing all the provisions of Section 3
of the Hongkong and Shanghai
Banking Corporation Ordinance
1899 for a further period of 21 years
from and including the 14th day of
August, 1908.

2. That from the date of such new
Ordinance coming into operation and
becoming effective the Capital of the
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking
Corporation be increased from
\$10,000,000 to \$20,000,000 by the
creation of 40,000 New Shares of
\$125 each to be issued at the price
of \$30 on the terms after mentioned.
Shareholders on the Eastern Regis-
ters to pay for their allotments at the
rate of Exchange for the Company's
demand Bill on London on the day
the instalments are due.

3. That the said New Shares be in the
first instance, in such manner as the
Directors shall prescribe for that
purpose, offered to Shareholders in
proportion of their New Shares for
every two shares of which they are
holders, and that any New Shares
not accepted by the Shareholders
within the time limited by the
Directors for that purpose, be dis-
posed of and allotted by the Direc-
tors in such manner and at such
prices as in their discretion they
shall think best in the interests of
the Company.

4. That the payment of the sum of \$30
per share for each of the said New
shares be made as follows, viz:—
1st Instalment of £15 on the 1st day
of July, 1907.
2nd and final instalment of £15 on the
1st day of October, 1907.

5. That the Directors issue to share-
holders, holding shares not a mul-
tiple of two, a fractional certificate
in respect of such shares in excess of
or below the multiple and allot one
New Share to every person who
shall produce two such Fractional
Certificates on or before the 1st day
of July, 1907, and pay the first
instalment in respect thereof.

6. That after payment of the first
instalment and pending payment of
the remaining instalment, Scrip
Certificates in such form as the
Directors may determine be issued
in respect of such New Shares en-
titled the holders on payment of
the remaining instalment, and sub-
ject to such other terms as to ap-
proval, date for lodging scrip
certificates and otherwise as the
Directors may prescribe, to be re-
gistered as the owners of the Shares
respectively represented by such
Scrip Certificates.

7. That interest at the rate of 5 per
centum per annum be allowed out
of the profits of the company on
instalments paid in advance of the
date, when the same become due,
and that registered holders of Scrip
Certificates for New Shares be en-
titled in respect of such New Shares
to participate in future dividends on
an equality with the old shares, in
proportion to the instalments paid-
up, and from due date for payment
of same.

8. That interest at the rate of 8 per
centum per annum be charged on
each instalment not punctually paid,
and be paid with each instalment
paid.

9. That all moneys received from pre-
mium on the said New Shares be
added to the Reserve Funds.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING
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J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

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General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, May 29.—12.15 p.m.—Meeting of The 'Star' Ferry Co., Ltd., at Messrs Glibb, Livingstone & Co.'s Office.

4 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce at City Hall.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at No. 4, The Albany.

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THURSDAY, May 30.—9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

FRIDAY, May 31.—Noon.—Meeting of The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at the City Hall.

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MONDAY, June 3.—Goods per Sardinia undelivered after this date at Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

SATURDAY, June 29.—Noon.—Meeting of The National Bank of China, Ltd., at the Bank Premises.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, MAY 27, 1907.

JAPAN AND AMERICA.

Scarcely incidents as the attack upon the Japanese restaurants at San Francisco may easily be misinterpreted. All we learn from the cable from Tokyo is that the keepers of the restaurants have been ill-used and their property destroyed. Also there was the vague and puzzling announcement that the outrage was 'premeditated.' We say puzzling because the average Britisher has such respect for law that it seems almost unthinkable that an attack upon the peaceable subjects of a friendly power should be pre-arranged and no action taken by the authorities. But it has to be remembered that things are ordered differently in the United States, especially in California, and that the police have their own politics. They are State, not national, employees, and the possibility is that they see just so much, as it is considered desirable they should see. The cablegrams hitherto have been provocative of curiosity rather than explanatory. Why were the restaurants attacked? What class of men attacked them? What attitude have the State and the Federal Government assumed? The answers to these questions are of the first importance because upon them may depend the peace of the world. We have no desire to pose as alarmists, but in the absence of reassurance there is much in the situation to cause grave apprehension. The recent school difficulty was smoothed over by the arrangement of a compromise, which, though it could not be taken as final, appeared to hold out hopes of a satisfactory ending of the strained relations which preceded it. It is known of course that the compromise was satisfactory neither to the Japanese nor to the anti-Japanese party in the Pacific Coast State. Still there was a fair prospect of the bitterness aroused by the action of the State authorities in excluding the Japanese from the schools dying away. It looks very much as if, for reasons of its own, some Californian political party was determined not to let the matter rest and to bring about trouble between the United States and Japan. That such was the purpose of the riot we reported on Saturday seems extremely probable. A certain section of Californians will not be satisfied unless Japanese are absolutely excluded from the State. Having partially failed in the campaign of moral suasion they appear to have decided upon recourse to physical force. It is difficult to foresee what the upshot is likely to be. The Federal Government may receive a claim for an indemnity from Japan. According to precedent it will disavow liability but pass the claim on to the State. The State, if it also follows precedent, will flatly decline to admit any claim. What will happen next? No one can foretell but much would depend upon the spirit in which the diplomatists of Washington and Tokyo approached the problem. Of course it may be that the out-break was due to some purely local cause in which case

the position would not be so dangerous. But whatever led up to it, it is to be feared that the outcome will be a further straining of the relations between Japan and United States. Friends of both countries, and the British in particular, will sincerely hope that this strain is relieved before the breaking point is reached.

Correspondents in Shanghai papers are waxing wroth over the relative merits and demerits of the cash and credit systems. It all started over the gentle chit. The people of the northern Settlement take up the paradoxical position of objecting to the chit and objecting to its abolition. Now they have drifted off into arguments as to whether cash or credit is better for the national welfare. They ought to accept Omar's advice to 'take the cash and let the credit go' even if they cannot bring themselves up to paying the cash. It is noticeable that the majority favour the credit system.

Once again the heavy loss inflicted upon local companies by the debased subsidiary coinage has been brought forcibly before the general public. At the annual meeting of the shareholders of Messrs A. S. Watson and Company, Limited, the Chairman (Mr Henry Humphreys) stated that during the past year the Company had lost about \$16,000 through discount on subsidiary coins. This amounts to 12.78 per cent of the Company's profits and would be almost enough to pay a dividend of 2 per cent to shareholders. Therefore it is matter for wonder that general dissatisfaction is felt at the supine attitude adopted by the Government? Were such a condition of affairs existent in a self-governing Colony it would not be long before a remedy was obtained, but here no steps whatever are taken to combat the evil. Even those most interested—the merchants and general public, out of whose pockets the profits gained by the mintage of these coins are taken—are not bestowing upon the question the consideration it warrants. Occasionally there is a growl, and there it ends. Nothing happens, however. The coins still circulate and are accepted at face value for sums under \$2. The thrifty housewife, who does her marketing daily and pays cash, reaps a slight benefit but that is all. Nor will a remedy be found until the public makes an insistent demand upon the Government and forces them to listen.

According to a Reuters telegram published in this issue Lieut. Walter Wellman will endeavour to reach the North Pole in July in an airship. This will be the second attempt Wellman has made to do what other men have failed in, and the expedition steamer *Frithjof*, which is now at Tromsø, is to be ready to leave Tromsø with the expedition on board, for Spitzbergen, in June. The party will consist of about 35 men, and will proceed at once to the expedition base at Dane's Island, established last year, where three men are now living. The balloon part of the airship *America* has been rebuilt in the ateliers of M. Mallet, the well-known constructor. The great ship is now 55-82 metres (183.14ft.) in length, with a greatest diameter of 16 metres (52.3ft.). Its volume is 7,500 metres cube, or 265,000 cubic feet, and when inflated will have a lifting force of 19,500lb (8,870kilos). An entirely new steel car and mechanical equipment have been built in the expedition's own workshops, at Gennevilliers, a suburb of Paris, under the direction of Mr. Wellman and the expedition's chief engineer, Mr. Melvin Vaniman, an American. The car itself is 116ft. in length, of steel tubing, remarkably light and strong. The backbone of this car is a steel reservoir of equal length to contain 1,200 gallons (6,800lb.) of petrol for the motors. The principal motor, a 60-70 horse power Clement, works directly on two steel screws, 11.5ft. in diameter, placed at each side of the car, type Lebaudy-Patrie. The proper speed of this airship is 16-18 statute miles per hour, and the fuel carried gives 150 hours of motoring at full speed; radius of action over 2,250 miles, or nearly double the distance from Spitzbergen to the Pole and back again. All the mechanical part is being thoroughly tested by weeks of running, and at Spitzbergen trials will be made in the air of the completed ship, before attempting the voyage to the Pole. In addition to motors, machinery, nearly three and a half tons of petrol, the crew of four or five men, a dozen sleds—dogs and a completely

equipped sledging party for a possible return over the ice in case of need, the *America* will carry a ton and a half of food, making it possible for the crew to spend the entire winter in the Arctic regions should that be necessary. It is planned to reach the expedition base at Spitzbergen in June, to have trials of the airship in July, and to start for the Pole in the latter part of that month, or in the first half of August.

A DISPUTED MORTGAGE.

Counter Claim for \$10,000.

In the Original Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court this morning, before His Lordship Sir Francis Pigott (Chief Justice) Long Koo, of the Fook Wo Chong; sued Ng Wai, merchant, in respect to an alleged mortgage.

Hon. Mr H. E. Pollock, K.C., and Mr H. G. Calhoun (instructed by Mr A. G. Jackson, of Messrs Johnston, Stokes and Maston) represented the plaintiff and Mr M. W. Shide (instructed by Mr G. K. Hall Brutton) appeared for the defence.

The statement of claim set forth that Long Koo purchased certain leasehold properties in Hongkong from Kok Kum Yuk for \$11,000. According to an indenture dated June 6, 1905, which indenture Long Koo alleged to be fraudulent, Ng Wai claimed to be mortgagee. Long Koo denied having signed or executed the indenture or having handed the title deeds to Ng Wai and claimed:

(1), A declaration that the indenture is null and void.
(2), Delivery up and cancellation of the indenture.
(3), Cancellation of the registration of the indenture of mortgage in the Land Office.
(4), Delivery up of all the title deeds and documents relating to the properties, which may be in the possession, or power, or under the control of Ng Wai.
(5), Costs and any further relief.

Defendant did not admit Long Koo's claim but stated that a mortgage was executed in his favour by a person claiming to be Long Koo, owner of the property. After the execution of the indenture the title deeds were handed over to Ng Wai. The \$10,000 advanced on the indenture were paid to Long Koo, and Ng Wai declared the interest on the money was paid up to April 26, 1906, by Long Koo or on his instructions. In July 23, 1906, the Kok Koo firm, who were tenants of the property, were served with a notice from Messrs Brutton and Lest, demanding the repayment of \$10,000 and interest, and threatening to sell the property under the indenture if the amount claimed was not paid.

In August a repudiation of the indenture was sent to Ng Wai's solicitors. Ng Wai filed a counter claim for \$10,000 and interest in respect to the mortgage. The case is proceeding.

KULANGSU (AMOY) MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

At a meeting of the Council held in the Board Room, on May 7, there were present Messrs W. H. Wallace, C. A. V. Bowra, A. F. Gardiner, Huang Tsan-chew, S. Okajama and the Secretary.

Mr Wallace was unanimously elected Chairman, vice Mr Marshall, resigned.

On the motion of Mr Wallace, seconded by Mr Bowra, Mr Gardiner was elected Vice-Chairman.

It was proposed by Mr Wallace and seconded by Mr Bowra, that Mr W. Wilson be invited to fill the vacancy on the Council, caused by the resignation of Mr Marshall.

A letter was read from Mr Lin Nee Kar requesting permission to construct a tunnel under a public road at Sin-lo-tow to connect his two properties, and the Secretary was instructed to inform him that the Council had no objection to his proposal provided that in building the tunnel he complied with the conditions laid down by the Council.

The Secretary reported that the gates erected on a public road near the London Mission Church had been removed.

A meeting of Justices of the Peace was held this afternoon when Mr Lewis Comar was refused permission to transfer his business to 39 Queen's Road Central from Des Vaux Road. The application was refused owing to the locality being unsuitable.

WEATHER-REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 27th at 12.05 p.m. The barometer has fallen in N. China, and risen over Japan, the Loochoos and Formosa.

Pressure is now highest over the Eastern Sea and W. Japan. It appears to be relatively low in an area between N.E. and S.W. winds, over the middle part of the China Sea.

N.E. winds—decreasing in force, may be expected in the Formosa Channel, and fresh N.E. and E. winds over the North part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.

FORECAST DISTRICT.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: E. winds, fresh; fair.

2.—Formosa Channel: N.E. winds, moderate.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Loochoos: Same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: Same as No. 1.

BY TELEGRAPH.

JAPAN AND AMERICA.

The Californian Trouble.

Japanese Demand Protection.

(From our Correspondent.)

Tokyo, May 27.

The obstructions directed against the Japanese restaurants in San Francisco still continue.

Viscount Aoki, Japanese Ambassador at Washington, has been instructed to demand official protection for his nationals in California.

President Roosevelt has promised to protect the Japanese in California by means of troops if necessary.

THE BRITISH FLEET.

Off Korean Coast.

(From our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, May 27.

The British squadron left Masampo yesterday for Chemulpo.

KOREA'S FLIGHT.

The Premier's Views.

(From our Correspondent.)

Tokyo, May 27.

The Korean Premier has issued a manifesto stating that the sole means of saving Korea lies in placing confidence in Japan and by carrying out deliberate administrative reforms to attain national strength.

RAILWAYS IN CHINA.

A Government Grab.

(Chinese Mail's Correspondent.)

PEKING, May 26.

The Board of Posts and Communications has decided that all Chinese railways, constructed by the Chinese public, are to be restored to the Government within 25 years, but Chang Chih-tung has memorialised the Throne to extend the period to 30 years. Minister Shum (Jun Hsen) considers that railway construction in China is still in its infancy, and that if any limits are placed upon those who find the money to build lines it is probable that they will withdraw their support and will not undertake any more railways. He requests that the question be dropped for a time.

ATTACK ON A YAMEN.

Brigands' Daring Raid.

(Chinese Mail's Correspondent.)

SWATOW, May 26.

A body of bandits have made an attack upon the Yamen at Wenghong, in the Yungshien District, near Chui-chan-fu.

The troops at the Yamen desperately defended the place but were unable to prevent the bandits setting fire to it.

The building was gutted and in the fighting it is feared that a Lieutenant and sub-Lieutenant have been killed. These men, at all events, are missing.

Urgent demands for assistance have been made to Viceroy Chou-fu, at Canton, and he has given orders to the China Merchants Steamship Co. to have their steamers "Kwangshai" and "Meifoo" ready to convey troops to Swatow.

Admiral Li Chun, of Canton, is under orders to proceed to the scene of the trouble.

Prince Tsai Chen (son of Prince Ching), who has resigned from his post as Minister of the Board of Agriculture, Works and Commerce (Nung-kung-shang-pu) will go to Germany and England to study military and naval matters.

BY TELEGRAPH.

THE RAND STRIKE.

Opinions of the Press.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, May 25.

The situation on the Rand is still serious and threatens to revive the South African political controversy.

The London Conservative newspapers, while not sympathizing with the strikers, refer to the edifying spectacle presented by British cavalry charging Britishers at the behest of a Dutch Government.

The Radicals declare that the miners are fighting the Alien plutocracy for the freedom of the Empire.

(REUTERS SERVICE.)

Soldiers Called Out.

LONDON, May 25.

400 men of the Cameron Highlanders have arrived at the East Rand, 200 of the Border Regiment at the West Rand, and 200 of the Queen's Bays at Johannesburg. Meetings of the strikers are forbidden in the vicinity of the mines.

Strikers Charged.

LONDON, May 24.

The Queen's Bays charged a crowd attending a demonstration at the Cross mine and the leader of the movement has been threatened with arrest if the demonstrations are repeated.

HOME SPORT.

The Derby Betting.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, May 25.

The following are the quotations for the next Derby:

5 to 6...	Against Slove Gallion.
6 to 1...	Galvani.
7 to 1...	Bosnian.
10 to 1...	Woolwinder.
100 to 8...	Orby.
100 to 7...	Unadulph.

(REUTERS SERVICE.)

The Manchester Cup.

LONDON, May 24.

1. Beppo.
2. Specular.
3. Veno.

REWARD OF MERIT.

LONDON, May 24.

The King has unexpectedly received and knighted Mr John Kirk, of the Ragged School Union.

THE PRICE OF BREAD.

LONDON, May 24.

Owing to fresh reports of damage to the wheat crops in Russia, Rumania, and America, the rise in the price of bread is becoming general, and it appears certain that the price of a loaf will reach 5d.

SIR FREDERICK LUGARD.

LONDON, May 24.

The China Association has given a banquet to Sir Frederick Lugard, Mr Richard Gundry, C.B., president.

Sir Frederick Lugard, who received a great ovation, dwelt on the necessity of modern Colonial Governors co-operating with commercial interests, and said that in view of the problems of the awakening of China and Japan, and the opening of the Panama canal, British representatives in the east must be alert.

Sir Cecil Clementi Smith eulogised Sir Matthew Nathan, as the most popular Governor of Hongkong.

"FIGHTING MAC."

A Memorial Unveiled.

LONDON, May 24.

Thousands from all parts of the Highlands attended the inauguration of the national memorial to the late General Sir Hector Macdonald at Dingwall.

There was a brief religious service and the Marquis of Tullibardine, unveiled the memorial.

NORTH POLE EXPLORATION.

LONDON, May 24.

Lieutenant Wilmott, the explorer, sails for Spitzbergen on the 1st June. From Spitzbergen he will proceed in a ramoth ship, ship towards the pole at the end of July.

The ship will carry twelve men, boats, sledges, dogs, and provisions for ten months.

THE IRISH LAND BILL.

LONDON, May 25.

It is understood that the Government regards the Irish Land Bill as dead.

BY TELEGRAPH.

CANTON VICEROYALTY.

Another Change Likely.

(Chinese Mail's Correspondent.)

PEKING, May 26.

Chou-fu, the Viceroy of the Two Kwang has been impeached by a Censor at Peking, and it is feared that he will give up the office at Canton at no distant date.

It is stated in Peking mandarin circles that Viceroy Tuan Fang, of the Liang Kwang provinces, will be transferred to Kwangtung, and that Minister Shun Chou Hsen will take Tuan's place at Shanghai.

So far it is not stated to what province Chou is likely to be transferred.

VICTORIA SCHOOL.

Presentation of Prizes.

The annual presentation of prizes took place at the Victoria School, Wanchai, this morning. Mr E. C. D. Wolfe presided, and amongst those present was Mrs May, who ultimately presented the prizes. The proceedings were enlivened by a musical programme, which was well rendered. Mr W. H. Williams, the Headmaster, read the annual report.

The Headmaster's report for the past year remarks that discipline was very good, while the average attendance was higher than in 1906, the regularity in individual attendance has fallen off. The monthly average attendance ranges from 54.5 in December to 33.0 in September.

The total expenditure amounted to \$8,105.00 and receipts to \$1,439.00. The cost per child to the Government was \$110 per year.

The essays for the Empire Day Competition sent to the Federal Council of the League of the Empire were placed fourth and the school received a congratulatory message from Dr E. M. Orr, Marshall (Secretary to the League).

A cadet corps numbering 13 was formed during the year, nine of whom attended the Volunteer camp. The General Officer Commanding the Troops complimented the boys on their proficiency and Cadets Hoskins and Friend were awarded prizes for signalling. A miniature rifle range is to be erected at the school. The school's football team did much better than in the previous year and every pupil in the school took part in the athletic sports.

Seven boys obtained Pitman's elementary certificate for shorthand, and in the open competitive examinations held by the Trustees of the Balliol Fund No. 2, three of the 12 awards went to Victoria School, viz., to A. Martin, G. Stokes and Winifred McNeil. R. N. Robson passed the Oxford Local Preliminary Examination.

The following are the results of the examinations held by Mr W. H. Williams (Headmaster):
Upper School: Algebra, Geometrical Drawing, Reading and Dictation, good. Geography, good. The Balliol prize for the best paper on the lectures delivered by Mr Williams was won by Malcolm McNeil. Hygiene, the pupils in the competitive examination obtained over 80% of the possible number of marks.
History, fair.
Writing and Spelling, improved, but still bad. Arithmetic, very weak.
Lower School: Standards III and IV, Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Spelling, very satisfactory.
Geography, very good.
Drawing, fair.
Standards I and II, Reading and Writing, good.
Spelling, fair.
Arithmetic, very weak.
Geography, very weak.
Singing, Kindergarten and Drill, satisfactory.

Mr Wolfe, commenting upon the report, pointed out that the school was in its second year and the number of pupils attending certainly warranted the Government in starting it. Another story was to be told of the school which showed that the Government intended to help the institution all it could. It devolved upon the parents to see that attendances were kept up. The school endowments seemed to him worthy of every encouragement. They could certainly give considerable assistance in supplementary training for the Volunteers. Boys ought to have military training quite apart from the fact that it was beneficial to health. Concerning the Headmaster's report Mr Wolfe said it was a very good one, everything being up to the mark except arithmetic which should be closely studied in this part of the world where the wily native had to be dealt with.

Mrs May then presented the school and the sports prizes. One of the pupils presented Mrs May with a handsome bouquet, and afterwards called for three cheers for Mrs May, the headmaster and the teachers. The prize list was as follows: Algebra, McNeill Silvestone; General Intelligence, George Hoskins; English History, Temple Edwards; Elementary Mathematics, B. Friend; General Progress, George Witcheil. Special Prizes, Mathematics, M. McNeil; Bellios Prize, B. McNeil.
Lower School: General Proficiency, Jessie McNeil and Ivan Gibson; Attendance, Yau, Rodger, Geo. Rodger, Ernest Wilkinson and H. Haynes.

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THE WRECKED FRENCH CRUISER.

Reports from Passing Vessels.

There is an artist on board the "Kwong Sang." We have received a sketch from that steamer which gives an excellent idea of the position of the French cruiser "Chanzy" which is ashore on Ballard Island Reef, S. of W. Fisherman Island. The cruiser is broadside on to the land with stern slightly down. The "Kwong Sang" (Capt. W. Palmer-Baker) passed the wrecked cruiser on May 22, and on the trip down encountered fog banks and heavy rain.

A report by the C. M. steamer "Kwong Tai" (Capt. W. H. Lunt), which passed the "Chanzy" on May 23 at 5 p.m., says that the cruiser is in an exposed position. On the 22nd south winds prevailed. The cruiser "Alger," with tugs and lighters were then anchored close by.

THE VOLUNTEER CONCERT.

The Volunteer Concert on Saturday evening was held in the Drill Hall, as the evening gave promise of being rather boisterous. As it happened the organisers were wise, though after a few heavy gusts of wind the night turned out to be delightful. This is the first occasion that a concert has been held in the drill hall and the acoustic properties, though not of the best, were as good as was expected. Mrs Maitland was vociferously applauded for her singing of "Cupid at the Ferry" and had to respond to an encore, giving Godard's "Angels Guard Thee," which she sang splendidly.

Mrs J. W. Kow also made a fine impression, choosing Barnard's "Bid me to Love," and also giving an encore. The songs of Mr F. C. Kendall's added to his reputation as an entertainer and both Messrs Worsley and P. S. Jameson, as the comedians, had a great reception. The latter's Scotch songs in particular were worth hearing. In "For Love of You" Mr S. Moore's fine tenor voice was heard to advantage and he gave an additional song with equal effect. Mr P. W. Goldring, whose singing always commands applause, sang Wallace's "Let me like a soldier fall," in good style and as an encore. "Then you'll remember me." Mr G. Koenig's cello solos were listened to in deep silence and they merited the burst of applause that followed. The Middlesex Band displayed greater skill than was expected of them during the evening and have shown considerable improvement since they were first heard here. Altogether the concert was a successful one and the accompanists, Messrs G. Grimble and J. Chapman, must not be forgotten, as they did much to assist the entertainers.

LAUNCH AT THE DOCKS.

Another Waterboat.

The fifth of the new series of waterboats built by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company was launched at the Kowloon Docks this morning, in the presence of the following:—Mr R. Mitchell (General Manager of the Dock Company); Mr J. W. Graham (Manager of Kowloon Docks); Mr T. Neave (Superintendent Engineer); Mr T. Skinner, Mr D. W. Cromdeke, Mr and Mrs J. Martin, Mr and Mrs A. Ritchie, Mr and Mrs Barrett, Mrs Unsworth, Mrs Focken, Mrs Skinner, Dr Forsyth, Mr R. Coughtrie and representatives of the press. The "Tai Luk" was specially released and after being christened by the usual bottle of wine, the ceremony being performed by Mrs Ritchie, went gliding down the ways and into the water without the slightest mishap. As the timber supports floated clear of the "Tai Luk" it was seen that she had steamed up, her boilers and machinery having already been placed in her, so that she is now practically ready for employment.

A Canton Case.

EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES.

A Canton Case.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, May 23.

Judgment has been given in the Supreme Court in the Purnell and Page v. E. J. Berkeley case brought up from the Consular Court of Canton. As you probably know, the plaintiffs asked for an injunction to prohibit the defendant, who was formerly in their employ, from carrying on the trade of an architect in Canton. According to the terms of his agreement with them he was restricted from following his calling within 500 miles of their place of business in Canton, but at his expiration, Mr Berkeley set up for himself right in Shanghai, where the offices of Messrs Purnell and Page are situated. Sir Havilland de Saumarez has given his decision in writing so that this case may be taken as a test and a decided law made to most similar future applications and which will also help to guide young men at home when they enter into an agreement to serve with foreign firms in China. As the Judge pointed out, Shanghai is not a big place and the fact of the defendant starting in opposition to his former employers would, if the young man were possessed of smartsness, inevitably occasion them much financial loss, and therefore, he upheld the particular clause in dispute, provided the words "within 500 miles of the office of Purnell and Page" were omitted. To start a business in the very same place as the firm whose service you have left is very different from going into a new district and making headway for yourself, and now the British Supreme Court in Shanghai has decided that British firms have no right to restrict a man with regard to a large area although they may protect themselves in one particular place, they may have fewer of these cases which always call forth fierce discussions on both sides.

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THE CURRENCY QUESTION.

Hongkong Chamber of Commerce.

May 17th, 1907.

Sir—You are no doubt aware that during the past four years the Chambers of Commerce of Hongkong, Shanghai and Tientsin have sent joint Memorials to the Doyen of the Diplomatic Corps at Peking urging upon the Foreign Representatives the necessity in directing the attention of the Imperial Chinese Government to the unsatisfactory condition of the currency of the Empire, and the crying need which exists for thorough reform as a first step towards placing the finances of China on a satisfactory footing.

These Memorials were dated respectively 6th August, 1903, and 12th September, 1904.

In spite of the representations which have repeatedly been made on the subject to the Imperial Government, no real step towards reform has as yet been taken, and these Chambers of Commerce have therefore decided to send a further Memorial to Peking, the draft of which has been agreed upon.

I now beg to hand you copy of this Memorial, already signed here, and which has now been forwarded to Shanghai for signature.

A copy of the Memorial will also be sent direct to each of the Foreign Ministers at Peking.

It is understood that His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has already taken up the question of currency reform, and I have now the honour on behalf of this Chamber to request that he will specially bring the matter to the notice of the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, as not only is our trade with China seriously affected by the present deplorable condition of China's currency but the local industries of the Colony and our daily trade and retail business in like manner suffer from an excess of depreciated subsidiary coins which it is impossible to exclude from the Colony.

In the opinion of the Committee of this Chamber the first step towards reform is to place the whole of the mints under Imperial control and to put an end as promptly as possible to the issuing of coins or bank notes by the Provincial Authorities.

These local Authorities, as a rule, would seem to be wholly ignorant of the first principles of Imperial finance for they apparently regard their mints chiefly as yet one more means of making money for themselves during their tenure of office, without regard to the debasement of trade and the evil effects generally which may result from flooding their districts with depreciated subsidiary silver and copper coins.

This has been demonstrated in a very marked manner by the action of the Authorities in the Province of the Two Kwang during the past few years by their excessive coining, chiefly of silver, 50 and 10-cent and copper one-cent pieces.

They further issued notes of \$1.00 and \$5.00 denomination. The former has from the first been "watered" as the notes, though bearing on the face the characters (元壹) one dollar and an impression of the Kwang Tung dollar which is supposed to be 7 mace, two candareens, are stamped on the back with being redeemable in subsidiary coins which at the present market value means a discount of about 9% at times this discount has been lower and higher.

These notes are not accepted by Imperial Maritime Customs in payment of duties nor taken at par but subject to the usual discount.

Recently a new issue of \$1.00, \$5.00 and \$10.00 notes has been made by the Kwang Tung Authorities.

Although these notes are issued at their face value, and on the reverse bear a copy of the proclamation dated two years ago to the effect that the notes can be used in the payment of salt dues and other Government Taxes, and the upper part of the notes is printed an inscription to the effect that the notes are redeemable in subsidiary coin.

This inscription which is now printed as part of the note is similar to that stamped on the earlier issue of one dollar notes already referred to.

The effect of this is that these notes are actually certificates for the depreciated subsidiary coin and do not represent their face value.

It is worthy of special mention that the Provincial Authorities only accept these notes in payment of Land Taxes at the current discount on subsidiary coins.

A few Kwang Tung silver dollars have in the past been issued but have now almost entirely disappeared, having been melted into depreciated subsidiary coins. It is now understood that the Provincial Authorities intend making a new issue of dollars with a view, so it is reported, of raising revenue; if this be the intention then either the weight or the fineness of the dollars will be reduced, thus still further increasing the monetary confusion which already exists in China.

I would here remind you that the fineness of the British dollar is .900 and the weight 410 grains.

I would further beg to point out for the consideration of His Excellency that under the terms of the British Commercial Treaty of 1902 (Clause II) China entered into a specific understanding that she should take the necessary steps to provide a national uniform coinage for the whole Empire.

Not only was Great Britain the first Treaty Power to secure such an understanding from China, but even up to the present date many of the other Governments have now thought fit to ask for such an agreement. It would therefore appear to be the special right of the British Govern-

ment to urge, and if necessary insist upon, the carrying out of the clause in our treaty already referred to, thus conferring an incalculable benefit both upon China and all engaged in trade with that Empire.

In conclusion I would beg to state that the Committee of this Chamber does not advocate closing the local mints, more particularly those situated at any great distance from the Capital but that they should be placed under direct Imperial control so that all the mints be worked in uniformity.

For correspondence on the subject of currency reform in China and also that relating to the two earlier memorials I would beg to refer you to Pages 31 and 32 and Appendix II of this Chamber's report for 1903 and Pages 28/29 and Appendix D of report for 1904, copies of which have already been sent you.—I have &c.,

(Sgd.) EDWARD A. HENWICK, Chairman.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 21st May, 1907.

Sir,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th instant on the subject of the condition of currency in China, and to inform you that a copy will be forwarded to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.—I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

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THE FOLLOWING IS THE MEMORIAL:

YOUR EXCELLENCY,

We, the undersigned Chamber of Commerce of Shanghai, Hongkong, and Tientsin, had the honour of addressing the Doyen of the Diplomatic Corps, in September, 1903, and September, 1904, on the question of a Uniform National Coinage for China.

No material results being apparent we are again bringing the subject before you and the honour to request that further representations be made to the Chinese Government through the Diplomatic Corps, as to the necessity of the former carrying out her Treaty obligations.

The disabilities under which the Country is labouring, owing to the fluctuations in the gold value of silver, and the apparent excessive coining of silver subsidiary coins and copper pieces which are already at a very heavy discount is evidence to all that the Chinese Government cannot be fully alive to the necessity of at once taking in hand the establishment of a National Coinage.

In conclusion we respectfully beg that the representatives of the Treaty Powers in Peking lose no time in urging upon the Chinese Government the imperative necessity of immediately taking this matter in hand.

We have the honour to be, Your Excellency's, Most obedient servants, (Signed) Chairman, Shanghai Chamber of Commerce, Hongkong Chamber of Commerce, Chairman, Tientsin Chamber of Commerce.

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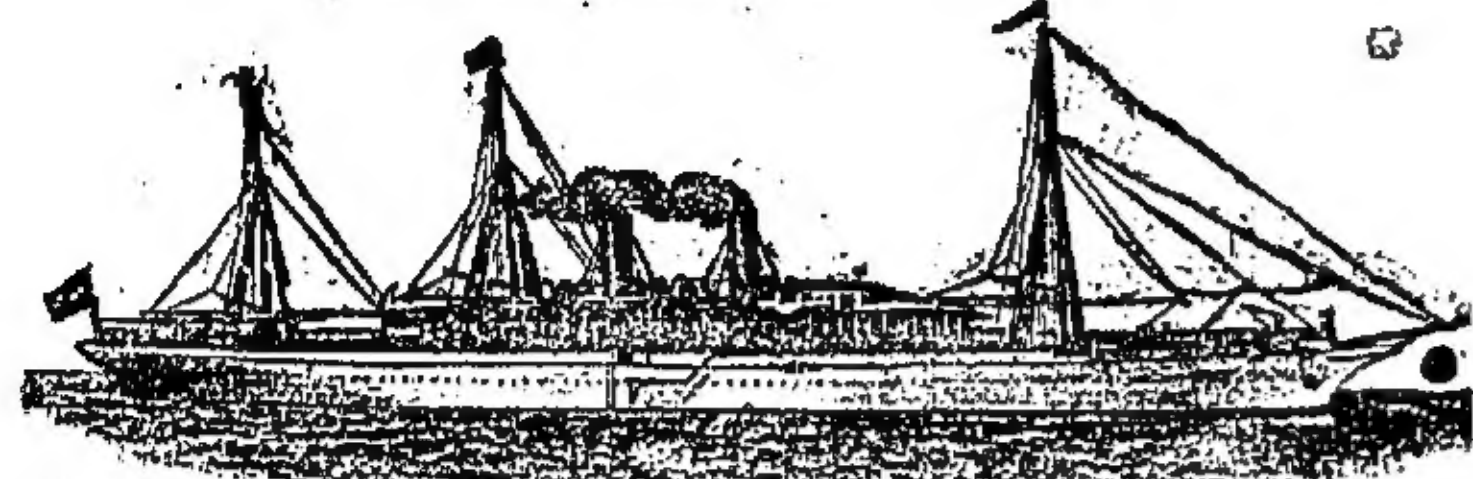
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KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	KUMANO MARU, Tons 5076 Capt. N. Matheson. YAWATA MARU, Tons 5917 Capt. T. Harrison.	FRIDAY, 14th June, at Noon. FRIDAY, 12th July, at Noon.
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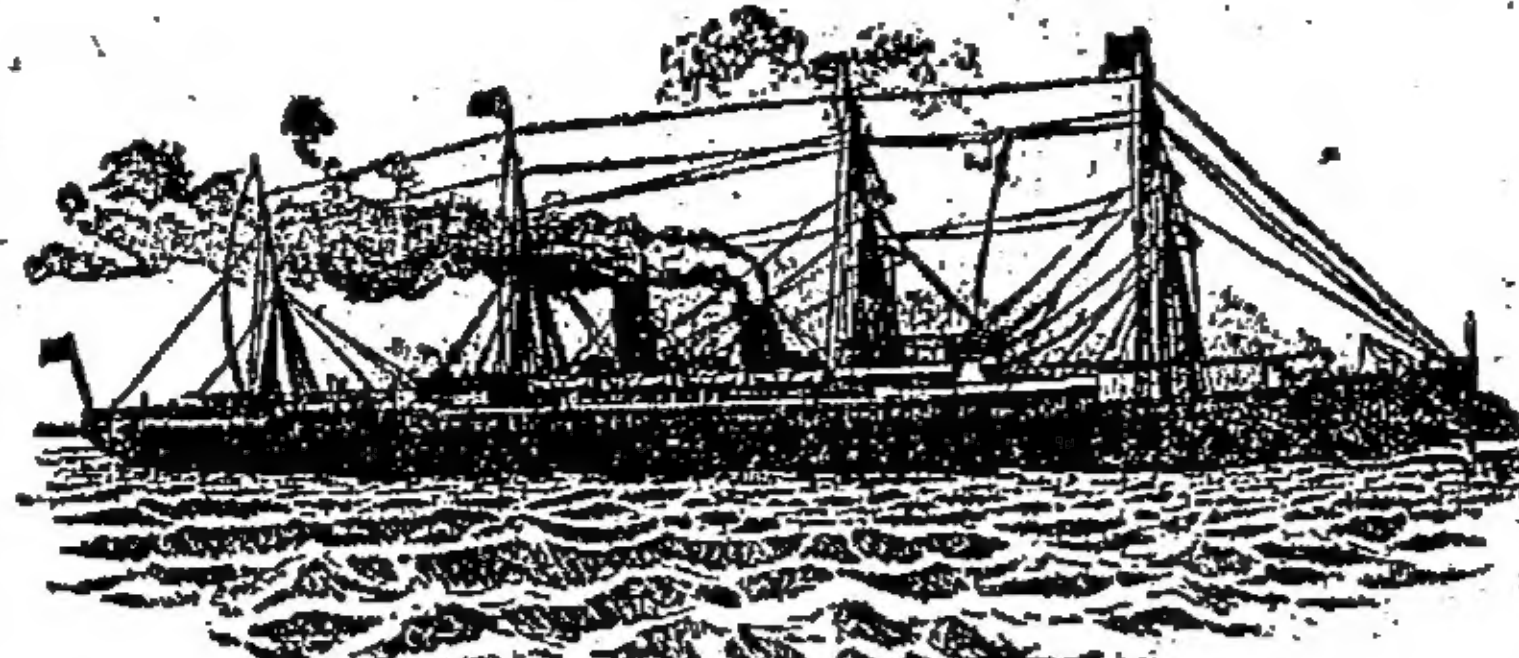
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* CHINA, 11,000	TUESDAY, 25th June, at Noon.
* MONGOLIA, 11,000	TUESDAY, 2nd July, at Noon.
* NIPPON MARU, 11,000	TUESDAY, 9th July, at Noon.
* DORIC, 9,000	SATURDAY, 20th July, at Noon.
* COPTIC, 9,000	SATURDAY, 27th July, at Noon.
* HONGKONG MARU, 11,000	TUESDAY, 6th Aug., at Noon.

RECORD FAST TRIPS.
Yokohama to San Francisco, via KOREA, 18,000 tons, September 16-27th 1906; 10 days, 11 hours and 5 minutes.
San Francisco to Honolulu, via SIBERIA, 18,000 tons, August 16th-20th, 1906; 4 days, 19 hours.
San Francisco to Yokohama, via SIBERIA, calling at Midway Islands and Honolulu en-route, August 16th-31st, 1906, 15 days, 15 hours.
Yokohama to San Francisco, via SIBERIA, 18,000 tons, Oct. 13th to 23rd, 1906; 10 days, 10 hours and 29 minutes.

THE P. M. Steamship KOREA will be despatched from Hongkong to SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, (INLAND SEA), KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 1st June, 1907, at Daylight, taking cargo for Japan and the United States.

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STEAMSHIP.	TONS.	CAPTAIN.	TO SAIL ON.
ALESIA	4370	G. MEYER	Wednesday, June 12.
VIOMERIA	4370	G. MEYER	Saturday, June 22.
ARAGONIA	6198	FELDMANN	Monday, July 15.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
SWATOW AND SHANGHAI	KUKIANG	May 28, at Noon.
AMOI, NINGPO & SHANGHAI	YUNFAN	May 28, at Noon.
HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	SIKANG	May 28, at 4 p.m.
CEBU & LILLOI	KAIPOING	May 29, Daylight.
SWATOW AND SHANGHAI	SHAOHONG	June 4, Daylight.
SHANGHAI	CHIAOHOOW	June 3, at 4 p.m.
CEBEO AND NEWCHANG	YOWOW	June 5, at 4 p.m.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PT. DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	TEHMAN	June 7, at 4 p.m.

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Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Date.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila	Saturday, June 1, at Noon.
ZAFIRO	2540	A. Fraser	Manila	Saturday, June 8, at Noon.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
† SHANGHAI	HANGSANG	Monday, May 27, at 4 p.m.
* SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA	KUMSANG	Tuesday, May 28, at 3 p.m.
* TIENTSIN, via SWATOW AND CHEFOO	CHIPSING	Wednesday, May 29, at 4 p.m.
* SANDAKAN	MAUSANG	Thursday, May 30, at 4 p.m.
* MANILA	YUENSANG	Friday, May 31, at 4 p.m.

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† Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Chefoo, Tientsin, Newchwang, and Yangtze Ports.
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FOR

STEAMERS

TO SAIL

WEDNESDAY, 27th June, at Noon.

THURSDAY, 28th June, at Noon.

FRIDAY, 29th June, at Noon.

SATURDAY, 30th June, at Noon.

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MONDAY, 2nd July, at Noon.

TUESDAY, 3rd July, at Noon.

WEDNESDAY, 4th July, at Noon.

THURSDAY, 5th July, at Noon.

FRIDAY, 6th July, at Noon.

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FRIDAY, 31st Aug., at Noon.

SATURDAY, 1st Sept., at Noon.

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THURSDAY, 6th Sept., at Noon.

FRIDAY, 7th Sept., at Noon.

SATURDAY, 8th Sept., at Noon.

SUNDAY, 9th Sept., at Noon.

Shipping.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOI & FUOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship HAITAN, Captain J. S. Roach, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 28th inst., at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS, LAURIE & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, May 23, 1907. 924

SOUTH AFRICAN LINE. FOR DURBAN.

THE Steamship HELIOPOLIS, Captain MARSH, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 28th May, at 5 p.m.
For Freight, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, May 25, 1907. 920

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

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Proposed SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR NEW YORK.

STEAMERS.

TO SAIL.

WEDNESDAY, 27th June, at Noon.

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MONDAY, MAY 27, 1907.

THE CHINA MAIL.

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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS
FOR
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TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR
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THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

STEAMERS	Leave	Connecting Steamers	Due at	Due at
to	HONGKONG	from COLOMBO to	MARSEILLES (Brindisi)	PARIS (London)
COLOMBO		MARSEILLES & LONDON	2 days earlier	1 day later
COCEANA 7000	June 1	MONGOLIA 9500	June 29	July 6
MAITA 8000	June 15	BRITANNIA 6500	July 13	July 20
DEVANHA 8000	June 29	through steamer	July 27	Aug. 3
CHINA 8000	July 13	MOULTAN 9500	Aug. 10	Aug. 17
DELTA 8000	July 27	MAEDONIA 10500	Aug. 25	Sept. 1
DELTA 8000	Aug. 10	HIMALAYA 7000	Sept. 8	Sept. 15
ARADIA 7000	Aug. 24	HOLDAVIA 8500	Sept. 22	Sept. 29
MAMORA 10500	Sept. 7	INDIA 8000	Oct. 6	Oct. 13
MAITA 8000	Sept. 21	MONGOLIA 9500	Oct. 20	Oct. 27
DELTA 8000	Oct. 6	VICTORIA 7000	Nov. 2	Nov. 9

Passengers change steamers at Colombo, and those for Brindisi transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at Port Said.
* For information in the connecting steamer from Colombo to Hongkong at time of booking.
* On to the above Mail Steamers the following:-

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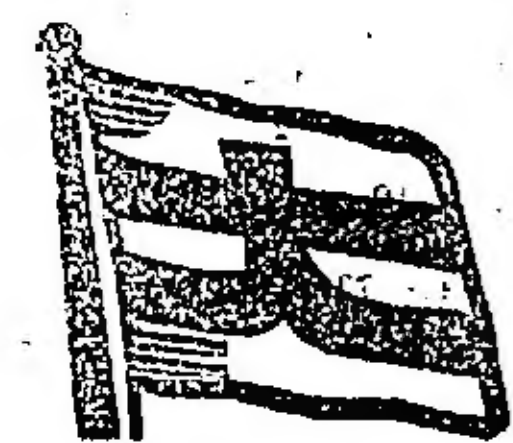
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STEAMERS	Leave	Due at
HONGKONG	LONDON	
* NORE 7000	June 5	July 22
* NUBIA 6000	June 19	Aug. 5
* SYRIA 7000	July 3	Aug. 19
* NYANZA 7000	July 17	Sept. 2
* SUMA 6000	Aug. 1	Sept. 16
* SUNDI 4000	Aug. 15	Sept. 30
* MANILA 4000	Sept. 1	Oct. 14
* NAMUR 7000	Oct. 1	Nov. 15
* BORNEO 4000	Oct. 15	Nov. 29

These Steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta or Marceller.
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Superintendent.



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BETWEEN HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA
COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

THE CO. S.S. FOR LEAVING

* FUKUSHU MARU, Capt. T. Iro,	TAKAO, Via SWATOW, AMOY AND ANPING.	WEDNESDAY, 29th May, at 8 a.m.
* SOSHU MARU, Capt. T. SUGAWA,	SHANGHAI, Via SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOSHOW.	WEDNESDAY, 29th May, at 9 a.m.

* These Steamers have excellent Accommodation for First and Second-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light. First-class Saloon Amidships. Unvalued Table.
* Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze & Northern China Ports. For Freight, Passage and further information, apply at the Co.'s local Branch Office, at Second Floor, No. 1 Queen's Buildings.

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VICTORIA B.C. AND TACOMA

VIA
MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Disasters.	Tons.	Captains.	To Sail.
TREMONT	9806	T. W. Garlick	June 8

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Notices to Consignees.

'MOGUL' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP BRAHMA.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND PENANG.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 31st inst., will be subject to rent.
All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 25th June, or they will not be recognized.
All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 31st May, at 3 p.m.
No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & CO. LIMITED, Agents.
Hongkong, May 25, 1907. 921

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.
THE Steamship Japan, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from along side.
Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once at Consignees' risk and expense. Cargo remaining on board after 4 p.m. of the 27th May, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.
Consignees of Cargo from Rangoon and Penang are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside; each Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underwriter.
The Steamer is working on Sunday, 28th. DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd., Agents.
Hongkong, May 25, 1907. 923

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.
NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship SOHARHORST

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Chinese Teas and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.
Optical Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Wednesday, the 22nd of May, at Noon.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th of May, will be subject to rent and to the risk of the Consignees.
All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 29th of May, at 9.30 a.m.
All Claims must reach us before the 3rd of June, 1907, or they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underwriter.
NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELOCHERS & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, May 22, 1907. 905

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S STEAMER SOOCHUA.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORT SAID, SUZ AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon where each Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.
Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 6 Hours.
Goods not cleared by the 29th May, at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.
Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.
E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.
Hongkong, May 23, 1907. 912

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Orders booked by Managers, CHINA MAIL.

SHARE REPORT.

In their weekly share report, dated 23rd May, Messrs. Vernon and Smith state:-

To-morrow being "Victoria day," and a public holiday, our circular is issued a day earlier than usual.

During the interval since our last our market has continued to run extremely dull, and there is again but little of interest to report. Rates continue without improvement, and on the whole still incline toward weakness.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai have been booked in small lots at \$910, \$905 and \$900, and close with sellers at the latter rate. London, after falling to \$29.10, has hardened somewhat, and closes steady at \$2100. Nationals are unchanged and without business.

Marine Insurance.—Yangtze are still in request at \$168, but there is no enquiry for other stocks under this heading, and we have heard of no business.

Fire Insurance.—Hongkong continue on offer at \$550. But Chinas, after small sales at \$80, are in some further request at the rate.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao have been booked at \$30 at which rate the market closes steady. Indian, Star, Ferris and China and Manila are unchanged and procurable at quotations. Douches have been fixed at \$38 and more shares are wanted. Shell Transport are firm with buyers at 48/- and \$9.10s. for the Ordinary and Preference shares respectively.

Refinery.—China Sugars are somewhat easier with sellers at \$11.10 after small sales at \$120. Lanes are still on offer at \$21.

Mining.—Rauba have been booked at \$64 and more shares are procurable. Charbonnages can be placed at \$450.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Wharves Docks have remained fairly steady during the interval, but shares are still obtainable to some extent at \$109.

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves are easier with sellers at \$83. Shanghai Docks are quoted \$15.75, and Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves \$21.21, the latter with local and Shanghai buyers. Now Amoy, Hotels, and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands are unaltered with probable sellers at \$107. Kowloon Lands have been fixed at \$37, and West Point at \$48. Hongkong, Hotels have again been booked at \$118 at which rate more shares are obtainable. Hongkong Estates are unchanged with sellers at \$10.00.

Cotton Mills.—Quotations are without change, and we have no business to report in this section.

Miscellaneous.—Gen. Penwicks have doctored to \$17, and Green Island Cement to \$12, both with sellers. Electric have been done at \$15 and are still offering. Ice have been booked at \$245, and Union Waterworks at \$121, the latter closing in request at \$121. Watsons have sold and are offering at \$12.

HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Thursday, May 23rd, 1907.

At 100 cents per Dollar Mexican.

Butcher Meat.

Beef steaks and prime cut—Mel Long Pa ... 15 20

.. Corned—Ham Ngan Yek ... 20

.. Roast—Shiu ... 20

.. Breast—Nagu Lam ... 15

.. Soup—Tong Yek ... 15

.. Steak—Ngan Yek Pa ... 20

.. Canton Ngan Yek Lau Shik ... 30

.. Sausages—Ngan Chong ... 28

.. Bullock's Brains—Slow ... per set 10

.. Tongue fresh—Ngan Li ... each 50

.. .. corned—Ham Ngan Li ... 55

.. Head—Ngan Yek ... 80

.. Heart—Ngan Sam ... 12

.. Lump, Salt—Ngan Kiu ... 20

.. Feet—Ngan Kerk ... each 7

.. Kidneys—Ngan Yek ... 10

.. Tail—Ngan Mai ... 17

.. Liver—Ngan Oon ... 13

.. Tripe (undressed)—Ngan To ... 7

.. Calves Head and Feet—Ngan chut-tau-kak, set 1.00

.. Mutton Chop—Young Fat Kwat ... 24

.. Leg—Young Fat ... 24

.. Shoulder—Young Shau ... 20

.. Pig's Chittlings—Chi chong ... 24

.. Brains—Chi Kow ... per set 2

.. Feet—Chi Kerk ... 18

.. Fry—Chi Chak ... 12

.. Head—Chi Tse ... 12

.. Heart—Chi Sun ... each 9

.. Kidneys—Chi Yiu ... 8

.. Liver—Chi Oon ... 13

.. Pork, Chop—Chi Fat Kwat ... 21

.. Corned—Ham Chai Yek ... 23

.. Leg—Chi Fat ... 16

.. Fat or Lard—Chi Yau ... 16

.. Sheep's Head and Feet—Young Tau Kerk set 60

.. Heart—Young Sam ... each 6

.. Kidneys—Young Yiu ... 18

.. Liver—Young Con ... 13

.. Sucking Pig, To Order—Chi Chai ... 16

.. Suet, Boal—Sung Ngan Yek ... 18

.. Mutton—Sung Young Yau ... 21

.. Veal—Ngan Chai Yek ... 20

.. Sausages—Ngan Chai Chong ... 20

Poultry.

Chickens—Kai Chai ... 30

Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai ... 28

Ducks—Ap ... 17

Doves—Pan Kau ... each 15

Eggs, Hen—Kai Tai ... per dozen 18

Fowls, Canton—Kai ... 27

.. Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai ... 27

.. Geese—Ngai ... 20

Goose, Wild—Shi Yek Ngai ... pair 20

Musks Deer—Wong Keng ... each 1

Hare, Shanghai—Ta Chai ... 1

Partridge—Chi Kai ... pair 1

Pheasant—Shan Kai ... pair 1

Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kup ... each 23

.. Hothow—Hoi How Pak Kup ... 24

Quail—Um Onam ... 22

Rice Birds—Wo Pa Chouk ... dozen 1

Snipe—Sa Choy ... each 1

Turkeys, Cook—Phor Kai Kung ... 60

.. Hen ... Na ... 45

Wild Ducks, Shanghai—Shanghai Sal-pai ... pair 1

Teal—Sui Ap Chai ... 1

Wild Ducks Canton—Sung Shing Sal Ap ... 1

Fish.

Barbel—Ka Yu ... 12

Bream—Bin Yu ... 14

Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sia Yu ... 14

.. Carp—Li Yu ... 11

.. Catfish—Chik Yu ... 11

.. Oodfish—Man Yu ... 14

.. Crab—Hoi ... 12

.. Outside Fish—Mok Yu ... 13

.. Dab—Sa Mang Yu ... 13

.. Dace—Wong Mei Lun ... 10

.. Dog Fish—Tui Tu Sa ... 8

.. Eels, Congor—Hoi Man ... 16

.. Fresh water—Tam Siu Yu ... 24

.. Eels, Yellow—Wong Sin ... 22

.. Frog—Hoi Kai ... 23

.. Garoupa—Sok Pan ... 42

.. Gudgeon—Pak Kung Yu ... 18

.. Horings—Tui Pak ... 18

.. Halibut—Chong Kwan Kup ... 27

.. Labrus—Wong Yu Yu ... 14

.. Loach—Wu Yu ... 20

.. Lobster—Lung Ha ... 25

.. Mackerel—Chi Yu ... 24

.. Monk Fish—Mong Yu ... 24

.. Mullus—Chai Yu ... 20

.. Oysters—Sung Hoi ... 14

.. Parrotfish—Kai Kung Yu ... 14

.. Perch—Tui Loo ... 14

.. Pike—Fa Pau Poong ... 18

.. Placod—Pan Yu ... 16

.. Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong ... 23

.. Pomfret, White—Pak Chong ... 24

.. Prawn—Ming Ha ... 45

.. Ray—Pai Pa Sa ... 9

.. Rock Fish—Sok Kau Kung ... 14

.. Roach—Chi Yu ... 25

Meat.

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At 100 cents per Dollar Mexican.

Butcher Meat.

Beef steaks and prime cut—Mel Long Pa ... 15 20

.. Corned—Ham Ngan Yek ... 20

.. Roast—Shiu ... 20

.. Breast—Nagu Lam ... 15

.. Soup—Tong Yek ... 15

.. Steak—Ngan Yek Pa ... 20

.. Canton Ngan Yek Lau Shik ... 30

